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**Docket No.: 1391.1073**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of 35 U.S.C. §371:

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Based Upon International Serial No.  
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For: APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF FORMING MULTICOLOR HALFTONE IMAGES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: